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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Washington DC 20231

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the application be amended as follows:

In the Claims:

Amend Claim 16 as follows:

16. (Amended) A label according to claim 14 wherein the substrate is a component or component carrier substrate.